

**FARM SHOW'S GOT TALENT**

The Pennsylvania Farm Show is sponsoring a Talent Contest during its annual event, which will be held on  
Contest: **Sunday January 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. in the Small Arena.**  
**Entry Deadline: 4:00 p.m., Friday, December 9, 2011**

Contestants will be divided into various divisions:

- Junior Division (Ages 8 - 11)
- Intermediate Division (Ages 12-15)
- Senior Division (Ages 16 - 18)

Each act will be assigned to the appropriate division based on the contestant's age on the beginning date of the 2012 Pennsylvania Farm Show. Group acts must compete in the division determined by the age of the oldest member of the group. No one older than 12 may compete in the junior division. No one older than 17 may compete in the intermediate division. No one older than 18 may compete in the Senior division.

Entries will be accepted in the following four (4) categories for all Divisions:

- (1) Vocal Solo
- (2) Vocal Group
- (3) Instrumental Solo
- (4) Instrumental Group

**RULES:**

1. Every contestant in the Talent Contest **MUST BE A PENNSYLVANIA RESIDENT.**
2. All entries must be made on official entry blanks, which may be obtained at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex & Expo Center Livestock Office at 2300 North Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110 or on the Farm Show website [www.farmshow.state.pa.us](http://www.farmshow.state.pa.us). Use entry form on page 167.
3. All entries must be returned to the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex & Expo Center, Livestock Office, 2300 North Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110 by no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, December 9, 2011.
4. All contestants must furnish their own accompanist – live or on a CD/cassette tape. The Pennsylvania Farm Show and its' employees do not assume any responsibility for lost, stolen, or defective tapes or instruments. Only CD or standard cassette tapes will be allowed. All tapes must be on Side 1 or A at the beginning of the tape only. Please bring an extra backup tape to assure that you will have one in case of a problem. A representative of each act must present the CD/tape to the sound person prior to their performance and be responsible for picking up the tape following the contest.
5. Winners will be selected by a panel of impartial judges. Decisions of the judges will be final.
6. All acts will be limited to three (3) to five (5) minutes. An official time keeper will be present. Acts exceeding the five (5) minute limit will have 10 points deducted from their total score. Timing begins:  
a) When music begins, when music is used, OR b) At first movement or vocal utterance of performer without musical accompaniment.
7. Contestants will be limited to entering one individual and one group act, with a duet considered as a group act.
8. Names of contestants must be listed and spelled correctly as the names will be announced as they appear on the application.
9. Contestants must report to the registration table by 3:00 p.m. on the afternoon of the contest. Anyone or group that is not present by 3:30 p.m. will not be allowed to perform.

10. Contestants must furnish all costumes and special properties required for their act. Limited dressing facilities will be available. Please list audio support equipment needed on the application form.
11. APPLICATION FORMS MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY TO BE ELIGIBLE and signed by the person(s) entering the act for competition. Your signature denotes that you have read and understood these rules.
12. No fire will be allowed on the stage or in the building.
13. Any recorded accompaniment for any act entered in any vocal category must be purely instrumental.
14. All contestants will use only lighting systems and sound systems as provided by the Farm Show Complex & Expo Center. Only instrumentalists may bring their own amplifiers.
15. NO ONE OTHER THAN THE PERFORMERS WILL BE ALLOWED BACKSTAGE. THIS DOES INCLUDE PARENTS AND TEACHERS. Failure to comply with this rule may mean disqualification.
16. A group may drop a member who is listed on the application form, but MAY NOT ADD OR REPLACE any member that was not listed on the original entry form.
17. The Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex & Expo Center Talent Contest Chairperson shall assign acts to what they determine to be the proper categories. The Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex & Expo Center Executive Staff shall resolve any question or disputes. Their decision is final.
18. Any division that has excessive numbers of entries may require participants to audition. If these conditions are present, participants will be notified no less than 7 days in advance of the audition date. The audition will be held at the PA Farm Show Complex & Expo Center in the VIP Lounge. If contestants are not able to attend the audition, they are permitted to submit a video audition due no later than 4 p.m on the date of the set audition.

**Premiums:**

Winners in each division will be awarded the following premiums.

<b>Placing</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>
	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20 Rosette

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All applications must be received by 12/9/11 by 4:00 p.m. at the PA Farm Show Complex & Expo Center Livestock Office.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Male or Female (circle one)

Age (as of January 1, 2012): \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Numer (required): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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Vocal Solo			
Vocal Group			
Instrumental Solo			
Instrumental Group			

Audio support equipment needed: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Group Members: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, I affirm that I have read the rules and regulations of the 2012 Farm Show's Got Talent competition and agree to these terms.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of parent (if under age 18 as of 1/1/12)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date